



**AFTER FINAL PROCEDURE - PLEASE EXPEDITE HANDLING
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In re Application of:)	Art Unit: 1652
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BSSP6)	

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 4, 2003,
please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.